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§5–539.

- (a) The State Board may adopt policies and procedures that:
  - (1) relate to the functions of the local boards; and
  - (2) are consistent with the goals set forth in § 5–544 of this subtitle.
- (b) The State Board shall:
  - (1) provide a training program for members of the local boards and local citizens review panels;
  - (2) review and coordinate the activities of the local boards;
  - (3) adopt policies and procedures that relate to reports and any other information that is required for any public or private agency or institution;
  - (4) make recommendations to the Secretary of Human Services and the General Assembly regarding:
    - (i) the response of the State to child abuse and neglect; and
    - (ii) out-of-home care policies, procedures, and practices; and
  - (5) subject to § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, report to the General Assembly and the Secretary of Human Services on the first day of each year on the status of children in out-of-home placement in this State.

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